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TO AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BENC, SY

SUBJECT: CHEMTEX PROPOSAL FOR POLYESTER FILAMENT PROJECT

1. SOMETIME AGO, THE GENERAL ORGANIZATION FOR TEXTILE INDUSTRIES ASKED CHEMTEX TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL FOR 10,000 TON PER YEAR TEXTURED POLYESTER FILAMENT PLANT. REQUEST CAME THROUGH ABDUL RAHMAN ATTAR WHOM JACK BAINTON, CHEMTEX, DISCUSSED WITH ROD WRIGHT WHEN BAINTON WAS IN DAMASCUS EARLY THIS YEAR. PROPOSAL WAS SENT AND CHEMTEX HEARD IN MARCH THAT IT WAS BEING STUDIED. NOTHING HAS BEEN HEARD SINCE THEN AND ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT ATTAR HAVE BEEN FRUITLESS. --

2. BAINTON SPECULATES THAT FALLING PRICES OF POLYESTER FILAMENT HAVE LED SYRIANS TO DECIDE TO CONTINUE IMPORTING PRODUCT RATHER THAN MANUFACTURING IT THEMSELVES. HOWEVER, PLANT WOULD BE ESTIMATED 40 MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT AND BAINTON WILL VISIT DAMASCUS TO FOLLOW UP IF SYRIANS ARE UNCLASSIFIED

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STILL INTERESTED.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY CHECK WITH ATTAR ON STATUS OF THIS

PROJECT AND REPORT ANY INFO DEVELOPED TO USDOC/CAGNE
FOR BAINTON. ROBINSON

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